



# Anita EL-HAJJ

## SPEECH THERAPIST

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### PERSONAL DETAILS

**Date of birth**  
June 11, 1991

**Nationality**  
Lebanese

### Computer Skills

- Microsoft Office
- The R project for statistical computing
- Phonedit
- Signaix
- SESANE

### Languages

- **French** -Fluent
- **English** - Fluent
- **Arabic** - Mother Tongue

### Volunteer Work

- Camp leader with "REPÈRE" association – Switzerland
- Camp leader with "GRAIN DE BLÉ » association – Lebanon

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Clemenceau Medical Center - Voice & Swallowing Center, Hamra, Lebanon (2018 - Present)**

- Evaluation and rehabilitation (in clinic and in hospital for in-patients) for adolescents, adults and elderly suffering from:
- Vocal cord disorders in speakers and singers (vocal coaching lessons).
- Dysphagia or swallow difficulties.
- Stuttering or communication disorders.
- Articulation deficits.
- Aphasia or speech impairment after brain lesion.
- Neurological pathologies affecting swallowing, voice and/or speech.
- Speech delay and stuttering for kids (formerly).

#### **LAU Medical Center (Rizk Hospital), Ashrafieh, Lebanon – (2020 – Present) (In/Out patients)**

- On call for in-patients.
- Evaluation and intervention of speech and swallowing for patients with numerous neurological and/or health conditions.

#### **Home therapy - Beirut, Lebanon (2013 – Present)**

- Speech and swallow evaluation and rehabilitation for elderly or disabled patients (Parkinson's disease, post- Cerebral Vascular Accident or post-head trauma, Multiple Sclerosis, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, Alzheimer's disease).

#### **Age Optimum Geriatric Center - Hadath, Lebanon (2013-2014)**

- Evaluation and rehabilitation of patients with speech and swallowing impairment.
- Alzheimer's disease.
- Cerebral Vascular Accident.
- Brain tumor.

#### **Private clinics Hazmieh**

- Assessment and intervention for kids with speech and language delays, Stuttering, Voice disorders.
- For adults with voice disorders (speakers and singers), Stuttering, Aphasia, Dysphagia.

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

#### **Phoenicia University, Sarafand, Lebanon - Department of Public Health, Speech Therapy School**

- Taught courses in Phonetics and Voice Therapy.

## Hobbies

- Music
- Latin dance
- Reading
- Exercising

- Conducted and supervised Internship seminars.
- Served as a thesis supervisor for graduate students.
- Phonetics, Voice Therapy, Internship seminars, thesis supervisor.

## EDUCATION

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- **Master's degree in Language Sciences (2014 - 2016)**  
« Linguistic theories: Field and experimentation »  
Laboratoire Parole et Langage, Aix-Marseille University – Aix-en-Provence, France.
- **Bachelor's degree in Speech Therapy (2009-2013)**  
Institut Supérieur d'Orthophonie (ISO) - Saint-Joseph University – Beirut, Lebanon.
- **Lebanese Baccalaureate - Life Science (2009)**  
Collège Notre Dame des Soeurs Antonines – Beirut, Lebanon.

## EXTRA – CIRCULAR TRAINING

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- Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Pellegrin - Bordeaux, France (2019).
- Department of Ear, Nose & Throat Cancer Pathologies.
- Hôpital de la Conception - Marseille, France (2016).
- Khoury Hospital (Dr. Alain Sabri) - Beirut, Lebanon (2014).
- Private Clinic of Mrs. Leslie Akl (Voice Therapist) - Hazmieh, Lebanon (2012-2014, 2017-2019).
- Hôtel-Dieu de France (Dr. Walid Abou Hamad) - Beirut, Lebanon (2013).

## CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

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- The Sixth Middle East Voice and Laryngology Symposium (March 2023) – Speaker.
- The Fifth Middle East Voice and Laryngology Symposium (March 2021) – Speaker.
- Rehabilitation after Total Laryngectomy – Innovative technologies, live implant replacement, workshop with patients.
- Rothschild Foundation - Paris, France (2019).
- Estill Voice Training (EVT) - Certificate Level 1 & 2 -Lyon, France (2017).
- International Seminar for the Phonetic & Clinic Day, Journées de Phonétique Clinique (JPC).
- Hôpital Européen Georges Pompidou - Paris, France (2016) – Speaker.
- 2nd Middle East Voice & Laryngology Symposium / Singing Voice Rehabilitation Workshop.
- American University of Beirut Medical Center - Beirut, Lebanon (2016).
- Annual Congress of the Phoniatrie French Association “The Voice in the Aerodigestive Tract”-Institut G. Portmann - Bordeaux, France (2015).
- International Seminar for the Phonetic & Clinic Day (Journées de Phonétique Clinique, JPC) - Université Paul Valéry - Montpellier, France (2014) – Speaker.
- 11th Pan-European Voice Conference (PEVOC) - Florence, Italy – Speaker.
- Training with AFROP organization (Association de Formation et de Recherche en Orthophonie Phoniatrie).
- "Views on Vocal Therapies, Workshops on Current Practices”.

- “La Conception” Hospital - Marseille, France (2014).

## WORKSHOPS AND TRAINING SESSIONS

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### **Instructional Voice Workshop**

- Regularly conduct a 9-hour voice rehabilitation program for professionals and students in speech therapy.
- Deliver training sessions focused on enhancing vocal performance, including voice modulation, projection, and clarity.
- Facilitate practical exercises on breath control and vocal health maintenance.
- Equip participants with essential skills and techniques for effective communication and voice care.